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145. (New) The method of claim 141 or 142, wherein the contacting of step (a) is performed *in vivo*.
146. (New) The method of claim 141 or 142, wherein the cell is a neuron, a cardiac cell, or a lung cell.

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**REMARKS**

Claims 1-4, 8-23 and 132 are pending in the subject application. By this Preliminary Amendment, applicant has cancelled claims 1-4, 8-23, and 132, and has added new claims 134-146. Accordingly, claims 134-146 will be pending in the subject application upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment.

Support for new claims 134, 135, 141 and 142 may be found in the specification at, *inter alia*, page 5, lines 6-31. Support for new claims 136 and 143 may be found in the specification at, *inter alia*, page 58, lines 9-15. Support for new claims 137 and 144 may be found in the specification at, *inter alia*, page 54, lines 35 to page 55, line 2. Support for new claims 138, 139, 140 and 146 may be found in the specification at, *inter alia*, page 53, lines 35-37. Support for new claim 145 may be found in the specification at, *inter alia*, page 55, lines 5-7.

Applicant notes that the corrected Sequence Listing annexed hereto as **Exhibit A**, the enclosed computer-readable form thereof, and the Statement in Accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f) annexed hereto as **Exhibit B** have been introduced in order to address the Examiner's objection under 35 U.S.C. §132 raised in the March 27, 2002 Office Action.

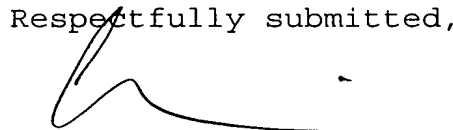
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Applicant maintains that the addition of new claims 134-146 does not raise any issue of new matter, and respectfully requests entry of this Preliminary Amendment.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicant's undersigned attorneys invite Examiner to telephone them at the number provided below.

No fee, other than the enclosed \$370 for filing a CPA, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,



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